

Abstract

A method of securing at least two workpieces, which includes inserting a bolt shaft through a bore hole formed in each of the workpieces, and applying a sealant to the workpieces. Further, the method includes engaging a locking collar with the bolt shaft such that the locking collar is securely deformed in a locking manner thereby forcing the sealant to uniformly distribute and form a thin surface sealant layer on the bolt shaft.